

LIQUOR OWNERS FINED

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 11.—Leo Leppe, Grass Valley, and Mrs. Josephine Bargiacchi, 249 Kirkham Street, Oakland, were fined for possession of liquor by Federal Judge A. F. St. Sure today. Leppe paid ~~\$10~~ and Mrs. Bargiacchi ~~\$100~~.

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Proprietors of Cafe Here Arrested on Rum Charges

OTHERS SOUGHT

Federal Officers Round- ing Up Bay Residents; Bail Is Arranged

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Four Oakland residents, including two operators of a well-known West Oakland cafe and resort, were among 58 persons named in indictments handed down by the Federal Grand Jury as Los Angeles, following investigation of a Statewide liquor and tax evasion ring, it was announced today by A. J. Zirpoli, assistant U. S. Attorney in San Francisco.

Two of those indicted were arrested yesterday. They were Mrs. Josephine Bargiacchi, 43, proprietor of the North Pole Cafe, and Charles Leyden, 47, both arrested at 739 Kirkham Street by deputy U. S. marshals on warrants based on the indictments charging violations of the U. S. internal revenue act.

Mrs. Bargiacchi and Leyden were booked en route to Los Angeles and were released on \$1000 bail each after appearance before Deputy U. S. Commissioner Dudley Nebeker.

TWO OTHERS NAMED

Two other Oaklanders were named in the indictments, but had not yet surrendered or been arrested. They were John Dianda and Angelo Puccioni, according to Zirpoli.

Many other San Francisco and Bay region residents were named in the indictments, which were returned simultaneously with 16 other indictments at Sacramento.

All those named in the indictments are charged with possession of untaxed liquor or conspiracy to evade payment of taxes.

Another arrest was recorded at Gilroy, where Equisio Moretti was arrested and held on \$1000 bail, with hearing set for Tuesday before U. S. Commissioners Ernest E. Williams at San Francisco.

Zirpoli made public today a list of names of those indicted at Los Angeles, some of whom have already been arrested.

IMPORTERS NAMED

Those named by Zirpoli included four San Francisco men he identified as grocery importers and exporters—Mervyn W. Ayers, William D. Ayers, Elbert L. Daneri and Joseph S. Daneri.

Others named were George F. Adams of San Francisco; Guiseppina Bargiacchi, John Dianda, Charles Leidig and Angelo Puccioni, all of Oakland.

The list included David L. Holt of San Jose, named by Williams as a bail bond broker and former theater operator.

Others named:

Louis Botano, Valentino Luchessa and Vincent J. Cresci, all of Petaluma; Oreste Santucci of Russell City; Albert Moreti, Dante Moreti and Pellegrino Moreti, all of Gilroy.

Those listed with addresses unknown were: Salvatore Aiello, Andrew Belli, Sebastiano Belli, August Calvo, Vincent S. Carlson, Frank J. Catania, Reginald J. Comollo, Denny Cosgrove, John Croci, Mildred Firpo, Bartle Gaffney, Charles Garzola, Robert Lasky, Achille Lenci, Joseph E. Marron, Joe Marsellei, Donald Rocchi, John L. Roderick, Guido Roggi, Oreste Toschi, Secundo Valenzano, Emelio Vanditti and Antone W. Waxman.

ILLEGAL LIQUOR CHARGE DENIED BY RESORT MAN

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Marshals Hunt for Several Persons Wanted in Probe Of Alleged Conspiracy

While United States marshals continued their search for several alleged members of a Statewide liquor ring in the Bay region yesterday, John Locurto, operator of a San Jose resort where a quantity of whiskey and counterfeit revenue stamps were found, entered a plea of not guilty before Federal Judge Harold Louderback.

Locurto was charged with 13 counts of possession of untaxed liquor and possession of 500 spurious revenue stamps.

Trial was set for July 13 before United States District Judge A. F. St. Sure.

Meanwhile, many members of the asserted ring of tax evaders and liquor dealers had surrendered through their attorneys at Los Angeles and Sacramento, where indictments against 74 persons were returned, while others were arrested in the Bay region and posted bail with United States commissioners.

Latest arrests were those of two Oaklanders, Mrs. Josephine Bargiachi, 43, proprietor of the North Pole Cafe, in West Oakland, and Charles Leyden, 47, who was arrested at 739 Kirkham Street. Two other Oaklanders named in the indictments were John Dianda and Angelo Puccioni, according to the office of the United States district attorney at San Francisco.

The two arrested here were at liberty on \$1000 bail pending appearance before Federal judges in Los Angeles.

Many of the arrests centered in Sonoma County, where a still and warehouse were found on a Petaluma ranch, while Oakland was said to be a distribution center for yeast, sugar and other ingredients used in manufacture of illicit liquor.

Cafe Owner Off on Visit To Homeland

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Mrs. Josephine Bargiacchi, the owner of Oakland's Villa de la Paix, is en route by train to New York today on the first leg of a journey to Paris, and to her birthplace in Italy.

It is her first visit to her homeland since she came to Oakland 25 years ago.

Mrs. Bargiacchi, who left last night, will fly from New York to Paris Monday, to embark on a European tour of several months, during which she will hold reunions with cousins in Italy.

During her absence the management of the Villa de la Paix will be in charge of her son, Dewey Bargiacchi.

\$3195 In Fur Garments Stolen

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Three fur garments valued at \$3195 were reported stolen yesterday from Mrs. Josephine Bargiacchi, 57, one of the owners of the Villa de la Paix, Oakland restaurant at 251 Sixth Street.

The garments were taken from Mrs. Bargiacchi's apartment upstairs from the restaurant. The structure is on rollers preparatory to being moved to a new location.

Mrs. Bargiacchi said she had placed the coats to air before a partly removed wall about 12:30 p.m. yesterday. About 5 p.m. they were missed.

The loot included a mink short jacket and valued at \$2000, a silver fox cape worth \$395 and an \$800 Chinese mink cape.

Services for Josephine Bargiacchi

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 a.m. tomorrow for Josephine Bargiacchi, 83, an Eastbay restaurateur for many years and proprietor of several prominent dining establishments.

Mrs. Bargiacchi, born in Italy, came to the U.S. in 1913.

Her first venture into the restaurant business was the North Pole Club in West Oakland.

In 1941, she opened the Villa Chartier in San Mateo which she operated until its sale in 1944.

In 1947, Mrs. Bargiacchi built the Villa de la Paix in Oakland which she operated until she sold the premises in 1955.

She then dealt primarily in real estate and the management of properties which she had acquired.

Mrs. Bargiacchi was renowned as a cook as well as a restaurant manager and administrator. Mrs. Bargiacchi is survived by a son, Dewey, manager of Francesco's Restaurant in Oakland.

A Rosary will be recited tonight at St. Joseph's Church in Alameda.

The Mass also will be said at St. Joseph's, with interment following at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward.